District III Advisory Board Minutes

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Colvin Neighborhood City Hall 2820 S. Roosevelt

The District III Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Colvin Neighborhood City Hall at 2820 S. Roosevelt. In attendance was the District III City Council member and nine (9) District Advisory Board members. Four (4) City staff were present and approximately eleven (11) members of the public who signed in.

Members Present

Matt Foley

Phyllis Hall

Charlotte Foster

Laura Simpson

Jim Gulick

Bill Ward

Judy Dillard

John Kemp

Joann Hartig

Staff Present

Vicki Mork

Officer Long Nguyen Officer Dwain Diehl

Officer Jeffery Andres

Members Absent

Phil Bloomquist

Guests

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Council Member Lambke called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for July 2, 2003 were approved. Motion made by Foley (Dillard) passed 9-0.

Action: Received and filed.

Public Agenda

- 1. No items scheduled
- 2. No off agenda items scheduled

Staff Presentation

3. Community Police Report

Officer Diehl, Community Police reports that they made a warrant sweep south of Pawnee on Broadway. The police made 13 arrests. WPD South Patrol celebrated National Nite Out on August 5, 2003 in conjunction with Immanuel Baptist Church, South Central Improvement District and South Central Progressive at Lincoln Park. It was a great event with an estimated 1,000 people in attendance.

Officer Andres, Beat 25 reports that he has been mainly dealing with environmental health issues, impacted by the fact that the Environmental Health Inspector position has been empty but will be filled soon.

Officer Long Nguyen reports that the Planeview Activity Camp for Kids (PACK) program ended on Friday, August 1 with a cookout open to the children and their parents. K-15 neighborhood association has been divided by the new beats. He also reports that crime activity is slow in Planeview at the moment. Planeview's clean up was August 2nd, the same day as the K-15 block party. As a member of the bomb squad he participated in the contained detonation of C4 explosive in a specially constructed chamber and it worked completely.

Recommended Action: Receive and file.

3. Residency Requirement for City Boards & Commissions

Council member Lambke opened discussion on the proposed changes for trade boards and commissions by letting the public speak first. Matt Foley handed out a written statement, which articulated his position in favor of limiting board and commission appointments to Wichita residents.

Lonny Wright, 2320 Alameda began his remarks saying he served on the City Plumbing Board. He clarified Paul Gray's proposal for City Boards and Commissions lessening the residency requirement with no more than 2 less than a quorum being from outside the city limits. Lonny said his personal view does not support this proposed change but he's here as a representative of the Trades and they support Gray's motion. They feel residency

requirements have been a bit of a problem as qualified trades people move outside the city limits and are no long allowed to serve. This position is no longer applicable as Wichita and surrounding areas could really be considered one large metropolitan area.

Mike Brincefield, 4730 S. Ida agreed with Matt Foley's position. He stated that those who serve on boards and commissions should be residents of Wichita and be in a position to experience living under them. **Elena Engle, 3608 Meadowlane** stated she agreed with Matt Foley's stated position and feels there are plenty of qualified folks living in the city.

DAB Board member, Gulick made the case that there was no way the limited number of people appointed to the Trades' boards and commissions that could not be found in Wichita. **Lonny** says there are ample people but CM Gray's position is that Wichita is more metropolitan. **Gulick** says he doesn't agree and can't see why the City would need to go outside.

Hartig stated Sedgwick County impanels it's own boards and as a result the city doesn't need to chose people living outside the city limits. **Foster** says city residents living within the city limits should serve on City boards and commissions. **Kemp** asked if all current board members were residents and was told they were. **Ward** pointed out that if non-residents' could serve on City of Wichita boards and commissions they could also serve on County and small town boards at the same time.

Hall stated she favored city residency. Dillard took exception to Gray's statement that owners of large HAC live outside city and can't serve but urban sprawl is killing older neighborhoods and that allowing non-residents to serve on the boards and commissions could impact that trend unfavorably. Simpson also indicated she supported residency requirements also.

Recommended Action: Foley (Ward) moved to retain current ordinance. Passed unanimously 9-0.

CM Lambke said he was happy with the DAB's position.

Board Agenda

4. Updates, Issues and Reports from Neighborhood Associations

Hall reported Planeview United would hold another election in August. **Dillard** said the South Area NA was quiet, but she was still dodging construction equipment. **CM Lambke** says it's going to be a beautiful entrance into Wichita. Cornejo. Construction taking Hydraulic from 57th to 63rd even though it's city road Sedgwick County is funding the project for that particular area because they had already allocated the funding and the money is already there. Repairs to 47th have been performed in the

least expensive method as there is hope that more extensive work will be done to the area in the future.

Simpson reported that the East Mt. Vernon neighborhood Association recently printed its very first newsletter. Their organization hasn't been in operation for a full year yet but they have had a neighborhood clean up and picnic. The association currently has 54 members.

Matt Foley referred to home invasions. OCI, Health, Animal Control did a sweep thru Hilltop and initiated 43 new cases. He also reported a Landlord Summit was convened by Community Police Officer Matt Young. He promoted a land lord tennant package with much information. Chief Williams, Capt. Taber, Sgt. Andrews, and members from other community agencies also attended. Foley stated passionately that Hilltop refuses to be a breeding ground for criminals.

Ward said his neighborhood is quiet. **Gulick** said five loads of dirt had been dumped by the city to even out the terrain of the pocket park at Mt. Vernon and Bluff. Their clean up is scheduled for August 16th and their cook out will be held on the 19th.

Kemp said K-15 Association held their clean up with great assistance from Officer Nguyen who brought 10 other volunteers from Community Corrections. There have five new members to the association and says the group has moved across to Volutsia area. John asked Vicki for direction on receiving some Neighborhood Watch Signs.

Charlotte says Fabrique's clean up took place on July 26th. They made use of two dumpsters and are currently working on pitt bull yards. August 26th is the next Fabrique NA next meeting at 7 p.m. at the Woodlawn Baptist Church.

Joanne reports 1,000 people attended the National Nite Out at Linwood Park this year. She is also working on a Community Garden with Melody Stucky whom represents South City Community Association.

CM Lambke said he had talked to Park & Rec today regarding improvements for Garvey Park, he sees part of the bathroom building serving as the tool shed for the community garden. **Hartig** thanked Cm Lambke for voting no on the issue of escort services in a recent council meeting.

Stucky announced the next garden committee meeting -- August 21st at 7 p.m. at the Dawson United Methodist Church. South City Community Association will hold their quarterly meeting on September 25th at the same location. She said the name of the community garden was **The Garden of Eat'n.**

6. Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting for District Advisory Board III will be September 3, 2003 at Colvin Neighborhood City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

No Action Required

Adjournment Motion to adjourn made by Dillard (Gulick)

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki Mork, Neighborhood Assistant District III

Visitors

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Dwain Diehl WPD

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